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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION--EFFORTS TO AVOID RESOLUTIONS

REF: USUN 648

1. AS INFORMAL DRAFTING COMITE OF USSR, FRANCE, AND UK (REFERRED PARA 2 REFTTEL) WAS CONVENING AM, FEB 27, MRS. NEHRU (INDIA) URGED THAT GROUP BE ENLARGED TO INCLUDE HERSELF, SENEGESE, AND US, ARGUING THAT A LARGER GROUP WOULD BE MORE LIKELY TO ACHIEVE PRODUCTIVE RESULTS. HOFFMAN (US) NOTED THAT WHILE HE HAD NOT AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN NEGOTIATIONS, HE WOULD BE WILLING TO ACCEDE TO MR. NEHRU'S REQUEST AND SIT AS AN OBSERVER AT THE DISCUSSIONS. HE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT A TELEGRAM TEXT MIGHT BE FOUND WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED.

2. AFTER LENGTHY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS THE FOLLOWING TEXT WAS INFORMALLY CIRCULATED BY THE INDIAN DEL AS REPRESENTING A POSSIBLE COMPROMISE TEXT. THE UK AND FRENCH DELS HAVE REFERRED THIS TEXT TO THEIR CAPITALS WITH THE
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RECOMMENDATION THAT IT BE APPROVED. SOVIET DEL HAS

FORWARDED TEXT TO MOSCOW. HOFFMAN INDICATED HIS WILLINGNESS TO SECURE THE VIEWS OF HIS GOVERNMENT. TEXT FOLLOWS:

"AT THE REQUEST OF GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED IN THE UNITED NATIONS AND OF SOCIAL, CULTURAL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS OF MANY COUNTRIES, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AT ITS 30TH SESSION AND ACTING ON ITS BEHALF, I HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO SEND THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM TO YOUR GOVERNMENT:

"THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHILE CONSIDERING THE OBLIGATIONS OF ALL STATES UNDER THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO PROMOTE UNIVERSAL RESPECT AND OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS, HAS CONSIDERED WITH DEEP CONCERN NUMEROUS REPORTS FROM A WIDE VARIETY OF SOURCES WHICH ALLEGE GROSS AND MASSIVE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE IN CONTRADICTION WITH THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND OTHER RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS RATIFIED BY A GREAT NUMBER OF COUNTRIES INCLUDING CHILE.

"THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH HAS CONSISTENTLY DEPLORED ALL VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, CALLS UPON YOUR GOVERNMENT FOR THE IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF ANY KIND OF VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTED CONTRARY TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL INSTRUMENTS INCLUDING THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

"THE COMMISSION EXPRESSES PARTICULAR CONCERN FOR THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS WHOSE LIVES ARE REPORTED TO BE IN IMMINENT DANGER. THESE INCLUDE SUCH OUTSTANDING POLITICAL, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL FIGURES AS FORMER MINISTERS, SENATORS, HEADS AND PROFESSORS OF UNIVERSITIES; INTER ALIA CLODOMIRO ALMEIDA, LUIS CORVALAN, ENRIQUE KIRKBERG, PEDRO FELIPE RAMIRES, ANSELMO SULE, WHOSE NAMES HAVE BEEN CITED AS PRESENTLY IN THE GREATEST DANGER FOR REASONS OF HEALTH OR THE CONDITIONS OF THEIR DETENTION.

"THE COMMISSION INSISTS THAT THE ABOVE-MENTIONED PERSONS AND OTHER CHILEAN CITIZENS AND FOREIGNERS IN SIMILAR

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SITUATIONS, SHOULD NOT BE PREVENTED FROM LEAVING THE COUNTRY IF THEY WISH TO DO SO.

"THE COMMISSION REQUESTS THE CHILEAN AUTHORITIES TO INFORM ITS CHAIRMAN ABOUT THE MEASURES UNDERTAKEN PURSUANCE OF THIS TELEGRAM AND ABOUT THE FATE AND WELFARE OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED AND OTHER PERSONALITIES BEING REPORTED IN DANGEROUS CONDITIONS."

3. US DEL HAS GIVEN A COPY OF ABOVE TEXT TO THE CHILEAN DEL. AMB BAZAN AND HIS ADVISOR, HOLGER, HAVE BOTH TOLD US THAT THE TEXT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO THEM. AS INDICATED REFTEL, AGREEMENT ON ABOVE TEXT FOR TELEGRAM WILL MEAN THAT NEITHER USSR NOR CHILEAN DELS WILL INTRODUCE RES.

4. COMMENT: US DEL REGARDS TEXT AS REPRESENTING AN ACCEPTABLE COMPROMISE AND RECOMMENDS WE BE AUTHORIZED TO SUPPORT. THE TEXT AVOIDS THE EXTREME CONDEMNATORY LANGUAGE OF THE SOVIET DRAFT RES AND ACHIEVES OUR OVERALL PURPOSE OF AVOIDING A SHOWDOWN ON CHILEAN COUNTER RES. WE WOULD PREFER THAT THE TELEGRAM NOT BE PUT TO VOTE BY CHAIRMAN BUT THAT HE BE AUTHORIZED TO SEND IT BY THE HRC THROUGH CONSENSUS PROCEDURE. REQUEST DEPT PROVIDE BRIEF IDENTIFICATION OF FIVE LISTED INDIVIDUALS' POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS AND POSITIONS IN ALLENDE GOVT.
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